

ABSTRACT

A system (1, 6) for the distribution of components which are disposed in strips (8), using conveyor belts (12) in order to transfer components (8) to a point at which they can be grabbed by the head of a pick-and-place machine. The system is equipped with one universal-base-forming portion (6) which preferably includes an integrated common motor (4) and an interface mechanism including a gearing system (3) which can drive the belts (12) of one or more independent, detachable distributor modules (1). The belts (12) are adapted to the width of the components and are releasably, but solidly connected to the universal base (6) in accordance with the production requirements of the device in terms of surface mounting.